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TERESA BARTH

OUR BEST HOPE FOR CHANGE

BREAKING NEWS: In the mail today was a flyer designed as if it represented the official recommendations of a specific political party. There were asterisked recommendations which were counter-intuitive in context of the expected recommendations. In the blurry small print was the explanation: the flyer was a paid advertisement for the candidates and propositions who had an asterisk after their listing. The candidates attempting to hoodwink the voters were: Dan Dalager, Bruce Bishop, Maureen Muir, Nina Vitenson, and Larry Kincaid.

Send the message that deceptive advertising is unacceptable:

PLEASE DO NOT VOTE FOR ANYONE WHO APPROVED AND PAID FOR THAT AD!



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REPRESENTATION

In the course of daily life, loyalty to one's peers and supporting the established community is a good survival strategy. Most of us are so busy with our lives that we often choose to ignore the day-to-day activities beyond our own family's needs. We tend to notice trouble only when it directly and overtly affects us. One aspect of our representative democracy is to facilitate enacting and executing the will of the people while we busy ourselves being productive. The key to a healthy representative government is unfettered communication between the represented and their representatives. Long-term success of our particular form of representative democracy is dependent on the effective splitting of power between three disparate bodies in order to balance the rights of the individual, with the will of the majority, and the need to define progress.

There are times and reasons for secrecy. There may be times and reasons for compromising the rights of the individual for a greater good. There is never a good reason for representatives to violate the trust of the people, to compromise the rights of the individual for the good of a self-anointed special group, or to operate in secrecy for the express purpose of acting against the will of the people. If there is a need to disregard the will of the people, then it is the responsibility of our representatives to clearly and truthfully justify that need. If time reveals that the trust of the people has been abused, the representatives must be held responsible.

Throughout the world today, including here at home in Encinitas, many representatives operate with the intent to hoodwink. Some are doing so with the well-intended belief that a grand end-goal justifies their daily operating infractions. Regardless of any good intentions, it is time for them to step down, or be booted out, when their primary reaction, to having their self-serving actions and hoodwinking tactics questioned, is to cry "foul" at the "whiners" and accuse all dissenters of being disloyal ingrates.

From the top to the bottom, from the left to the right, we the people are losing our rights. Here at home we have the majority of our City Council representatives supporting ideals, agendas, and individuals that we have demonstrably chosen not to support. The overwhelming majority of Encinitas voters, not just the 100 or so who may read these words or the small group of citizens who attend council and commission meetings, voted against Props A and C. The current council majority supported both propositions. It was not the first time the council majority acted against the will of the

people with arrogance. We have only ourselves to blame if we allow them to continue to act against what we the people believe to be our city's best interests.

By design, maintaining our democracy isn't easy. We the People are not supposed to sit idle and let our representatives usurp Constitutional powers and ignore the Bill of Rights when it is convenient. The issues which affect the health and livelihood of a community, a nation, or a civilization are often more important and complex than simply showing blind allegiance to the family who's been sharpening our mowers, fixing our pipes, or exporting our jobs overseas while paving over the amber fields of grain to build million dollar tract homes.

We are sure it is not easy being a representative of the people. We are positive that we need representatives who understand, and are steadfastly dedicated to supporting, all the reasons why running a representative democracy cannot be easy.

We urge you to vote, on the community, state, and national level, to keep those who have continued to act against the will of the people out of office. Vote to stop them from causing further damage to our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, our reputation, and our economy. On November 7, 2006, please cast your votes for Francine Busby and Teresa Barth.

~ the editors

TWINS²

Five candidates are vying for two spots on the City Council this election. After three candidate forums, the choice is now pretty clear cut. Two of the candidates are not really in the running—Martens, who seems to have no idea of the issues in Encinitas and answers questions in clever vague generalities, and Brown, who has no previous involvement in Encinitas politics whatsoever. The remaining candidates provide a clear choice for the future.

Representing the status quo we have Dan Dalager and Doug Long, the political twins of the City of Encinitas' approach to government. Both men grew up together, are friends, and apparently have exactly the same views. Both men supported Prop A, Prop C, and the parade name change.

On the other hand we have Teresa Barth. Ms. Barth has been active in Encinitas politics for some time and campaigned against Prop A, Prop C, and was against the parade name change. Unlike the other two candidates, Ms. Barth will not accept campaign contributions from developers, builders or growers.

Ms. Barth has been involved in city government and is often seen or heard speaking at City Council or Planning Commission meetings. In addition, she is president of the Friends of Cardiff-by-the-Sea Library and sits on the board of the Greater San Diego Resource Conservation District and the Wildlife Advisory Commission. Her campaign stands for the preservation of Encinitas, not the destruction of Encinitas by runaway development.

So, it's your choice... If you support the status quo, runaway growth, land giveaways, misleading fee increases, and alienating religious groups, vote for Doug Long or Dan Dalager.

If you aren't satisfied with the current council and desire beneficial change, you have one clear choice—vote for Teresa Barth.

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PROJECT UPDATES

1.70-90 N Coast Hwy 101 and 101/125 A St:
Case #05-108 TM/Mup/DR/CDP/EIA, Mixed Use-Commercial/Residential, City Planner Gene Ybarra, gybarra@ci.encinitas.ca.us

This project consists of 19 residential units totaling 34,346 sq ft of habitable area and 14 commercial use suites totaling 12,716 sq ft of floor area for a total area of 47,062 sq ft on a .77 acre site.

The story poles are partially up—the first 100 of an eventual 200 to 300 poles. These white, skinny, poles are intended to help the community understand the height and mass of a proposed building. The current building will be leveled. The proposed building is to have a flat roof sitting 33 ft above the highest point of the re-graded lot. It is to be 3 stories high, plus roof-top decks, sitting on top of a split-level basement. It is, in effect, 4 stories high.

This project will go before the Planning Commission again on Thursday, November 16, 2006.

Please go by the site. Take a good look at those poles and the surroundings. Send concerns and thoughts to Gene Ybarra <gybarra@ci.encinitas.ca.us>. If possible, attend the Planning Commission meeting Thursday, November 16, 2006.

PLEASE NOTE: All city notices are now being published in the North County Times, nctimes.com. For some reason, the notices are no longer being published in the Coast News, which is the most widely distributed paper of record in Encinitas.

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